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CHANGE

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1. IN CLEAREST COMMENT WE HAVE SEEN SO FAR PORTUGUESE
PRIME MINISTER SOARES IS QUOTED AS FOLLOWS BY LE MONDE
(MARCH 15) ON "GLOBALIZATION": BEGIN QUOTE. WE ARE
OF COURSE AGAINST IT. ARTICLE 237 OF THE TREATY OF
ROME STIPULATES THAT EACH CANDIDATE SHALL BE
JUDGED ON HIS OWN MERITS. THAT IS EXACTLY WHAT WE ARE
ASKING. THE CONDITIONS IN AND STATE OF DEVELOPMENT
OF THE DIFFERENT COUNTRIES WHO ARE CANDIDATES ARE
DIFFERENT AND SPECIAL TO EACH. IT IS NORMAL TO KEEP
THIS IN MIND. END QUOTE.

2. ON THE OTHER HAND, SOARES IS QUOTED AS SHOWING
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SUBSTANTIALLY GREATER COMPREHENSION, AS ALSO REPORTED
REFTEL A, ON EC INSTITUTIONAL QUESTIONS FRENCH HAD
RAISED. ON ISSUES SUCH AS MODIFYING THE PROCEDURES
AND THE UNANIMITY RULE OF THE EC COUNCIL, SOARES SAID
HE WAS READY TO MAKE "ALL NECESSARY CONCESSIONS"--
WITHOUT ACCEDING TO THE IDEA THAT "THERE WOULD BE
FIRST AND SECOND CLASS PARTNERS IN THE COMMUNITY."

3. ARTICLE FURTHER REFLECTS SOARES GENERAL SATISFACTION WITH SWING THROUGH EUROPE, AND PARTICULARLY HIS PARIS TALKS. IT ALSO CONFIRMS THAT ON WAY BACK TO LISBON ON MONDAY HE AGAIN STOPPED IN PARIS FOR INFORMAL CHAT WITH MITTERAND. PORTUGUESE EMBASSY HAD TOLD US EARLIER THAT MITTERAND WAS NOT ON SCHEDULE DURING HIS FIRST OFFICIAL VISIT HERE SO AS TO AVOID IRRITATING MAJORITY ON EVE OF MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS. HOWEVER, PS HAD ISSUED STATEMENT SUPPORTING PORTUGAL'S DESIRE FOR EC MEMBERSHIP.
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